Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A stack, comprising:

an impermeable metal structure,

at least one first metal fiber layer, and

at least one second metal fiber layer,

said first metal fiber layer being sintered to a first side of said impermeable metal structure,

said second metal fiber layer being sintered to another side of said first metal fiber layer opposite to the impermeable metal structure,

wherein a planar air permeability of said stack is more than 0.02 l/min*cm, wherein a porosity of said second metal <u>fiber</u> layer is less than 80%, wherein a porosity of said first metal fiber layer is more than 80%.

- 2. (Previously Presented) A stack as in claim 1, said stack further comprising another first metal fiber layer sintered to a second side of said impermeable metal structure and another second metal fiber layer sintered to the another first metal fiber layer on a side opposite to the impermeable metal structure.
- 3. (Canceled)
- 4. (Previously Presented) A stack as in claim 1, said second metal fiber layer having a perpendicular air permeability of less than 200 l/min*dm².
- 5. (Previously Presented) A stack as in claim 1, said first metal fiber layer comprising fibers with equivalent diameter of more than $20\mu m$.
- 6. (Previously Presented) A stack as in claim 1, said second metal fiber layer comprising fibers with equivalent diameter of less than $30\mu m$.
- 7. (Previously Presented) A stack as in claim 1, said first metal fiber layer having a thickness of more than 0.5mm.

- 8. (Previously Presented) A stack as in claim 1, said second metal fiber layer having a thickness of less than 0.2mm.
- 9. (Previously Presented) A stack as in claim 1, said stack having a transversal electric resistance less than 30*10⁻³ Ohm.
- 10. (Previously Presented) A stack as in claim 1, said impermeable metal structure being a metal plate.
- 11. (Previously Presented) A stack as in claim 1, said impermeable metal structure being a metal foil.
- 12. (Previously Presented) A stack as in claim 1, wherein metal fibers of the first and second metal fiber layers are stainless steel fibers.
- 13. (Previously Presented) A stack as in claim 1, wherein metal fibers of the first and second metal fiber layers are Ni-fibers or Ni alloy fibers.
- 14. (Previously Presented) A stack as in claim 1, wherein metal fibers of the first and second metal fiber layers are Ti-fibers.
- 15. (Previously Presented) A stack as in claim 1, wherein metal fibers of the first and second metal fiber layers are a same alloy of said impermeable metal structure.
- 16. (Previously Presented) A fuel cell, comprising a plurality of stacks as in claim 1.
- 17. (Previously Presented) An electrolyser, comprising a plurality of stacks as in claim 1.
- 18. (Canceled)
- 19. (Canceled)
- 20. (Currently Amended) A stack as in claim $\underline{1}$ [[19]], wherein the porosity of the first metal fiber layer is more than 10% greater than the porosity of the second metal fiber layer.
- 21. (Canceled)

22. (Canceled)